

Indorse in Cornwallis's letter dated 17. Oct 1749.
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That in their opinion to declare war formally against the Micmac Indians, would be in manner to own them a free & Independant people, whereas they ought to be treated as so many Banditti Ruffians or Rebels to his Majesty's Government.

That in order to secure the Province from further Attempts of the Indians some effectual Method should be taken to pursue them to their Haunts & show them that after such Actions, they shall not be secure within this province.

That a Company of Volunteers not exceeding fifty men be Immediately raised in the Settlement to scour the Woods all round the Town.

That

That a Company of
one hundred men be raised
in New England to Joyn
with Gorcham's during the
Winter & go over the
whole Province

That a further
Present of one Thousand
Bushels of Corn be sent
to the St. John Indians to
confirm them in their good
dispositions towards the
English - and

That a reward
of ten Guineas be granted
for every Indian Micmac
taken or killed.

Endorsed -

Resolutions of the
Council at Halifax
against the Micmac Indians
1st Oct: 1749.

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the 17. Oct: 1749.

A + W.9 Enclosure in letter of Gov.
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By His Excellency Edward
 Cornwallis Esq. Capt. General
 & Governor in Chief in
 and over the Province of
 Nova Scotia or Acadia

Whereas Notwithstanding
 the Gracious offers of friend-
 ship & protection made
 in his Majesty's Name by
 us to the Indians inhabit-
 ing this province, The Mic-
 macs have of late in
 a most Treacherous manner
 taken 20 of his Majesty's
 Subjects prisoners at banas,
 & carried off a Sloop be-
 longing to Boston and a
 Boat from this Settlement,
 & at the same time basely &
 under pretence of friendship
 & commerce attempted to
 seize two English Sloops
 & murder their crews, &
 Actually killed several, &
 on Saturday the 30th of
 September

September a body of those Savages, fell upon some men that were cutting wood & without Arms, near the Savomil & barbarously killed four & carried away one.

For these causes we by & with the Advice & consent of his Majesty's Council do hereby Authorize & command all Officers Civil & Military & all his Majesty's Subjects or others to Annoy, distress, take or destroy, the Savages commonly called Mic-macks, wherever they are found and all such as are aiding & assisting to them & we further by & with the advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council do promise a reward of Ten Guineas for every Mic-mack Indian taken or killed to be paid upon producing such Savage if taken or his Scalp, (as is the custom of America) if killed

killed to the officers Com.
manding at Halifax,
Annapolis Royal or Minas,
given at Halifax this
second of October - one
Thousand seven Hundred
& Forty nine & in the
Twenty third year of his
Majesty's Reign

God Save the King

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